

PONTIAC PRISONER BEATS GUARD TO DEATH

PREACHER BADLY BEATEN BY CROWD OF LA SALLEANS

REV. SIMMONS ATTACKED
AFTER ESCAPING
KIDNAPERS

NOW IN HOSPITAL

HEAD, FACE AND BODY BAT-
TERED AFTER LEAPING FROM
CAPTORS' AUTOMOBILE--DRAG-
GED FROM PORCH OF HOME IN
WIFE'S PRESENCE.

La Salle, Ill., June 16.—(Special Correspondence.)—Attacked and beaten by three men, who seized him on the porch of his home, where he and his wife were sitting, Rev. W. J. R. Simmons, pastor of the Baptist church, tonight was so badly injured he was removed to the People's hospital in La Salle, where he continues a patient today.

Reinforced by a crowd estimated at figures vary from twenty to a hundred, the trio, who are said to have crept stealthily over the parsonage porch at the corner of Third and Gating streets, dragged the minister from the steps and pushed him to an automobile which had drawn up at the curb and threw him in the machine. The driver, who had sat alone in the car, threw the engine into high and started away at top speed. The clergyman shook himself free of his captors and jumped to the pavement, dragging one of the assailants with him. As he ran back to the house to escape the wrath of his pursuers his flight was intercepted by another gang of men, who, it is reported, appeared from the rear of the home.

Beaten Almost to Insensibility.
Laying onto the pastor, the others beat him until he is said to have fallen dazed to the ground. Police men appearing on the scene about this time beat off the crowd and compelled them to quit their attack. Simmons, when he arose, demanded the arrest of his assailants. The officer is reported to have guaranteed to arrest any and all of the crowd, providing Rev. Simmons went to the station to sign complaints against the men and women in the crowd. This he refused to do.

Seeing that the victim was in need of medical attention, the police rushed the preacher to the People's hospital, where a physician found his head, face and body badly bruised and battered. A trained nurse was assigned the case after the doctor had given out a statement that he could not forecast the outcome of Rev. Simmons' injuries until after he had more time to give the patient a thorough examination.

"Banishment" Order.
The attack on Rev. Simmons, whose employment of a so-called monk to deliver an oratorical tirade against the Catholic church and its leaders, resulted in his being twice before attacked by angry crowds and ordered to leave La Salle never to return, occurred at 8:05 o'clock. Together with Mrs. Simmons he was on the porch of their home, passing a quiet hour before retiring for the night. Mrs. Simmons, the police learned, was facing the direction from whence the three men appeared over the side of the porch, and cried to her husband to run, fearing a plot against Mr. Simmons' life was being matured in her presence.

Simmons jumped up and tried to reach the front door, but before he could get that far the trio blocked the way, seized him roughly and dragged him toward the curb.
About this time the auto appeared and drew up alongside the parsonage. Simmons was thrown into the car and started toward the east. No mention was made of what the destination was or what the trio intended doing with him. The auto proceeded only a short distance when the captive shook himself free and leaped from the auto to the street, dragging one of the men with him. Simmons, a powerful man of large stature, then hurled the man who clung to him to the street and started for the house, only to be caught by the gang that appeared from the rear.
The worst of the car and the trouble in event another attempt was made to beat Simmons.

Attacked Twice Before.
Twice before Rev. Simmons was subjected to attacks of this kind, the latest before last night's episode resulting in his being badly man-handled and fleeing to Peru for protection. He demanded of the sheriff that he be given protection, and Sheriff Ayers, with deputies, went to La Salle to guard against a recurrence of the trouble.

It is reported that Rev. Simmons, in defiance of the order banishing him from La Salle under penalty of physical pain should he return, returned to the city some days ago and has been occupying the parsonage with his family.

16 YEARS OLD BOY,
ON FATHER'S PLEA,
HELD AS VAGRANT

PARENT ASKS POLICE TO AR-
REST RECALCITRANT SON,
WHOM HE CLAIMS WILL NOT
WORK NOR GO TO SCHOOL.

For what is said to be the first time in the history of local police courts a youth has been arrested by police officials on a charge of vagrancy. Joseph Kazork, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kazork of West Ottawa, was taken in custody last evening about 5 o'clock by Officer J. McNamara on that charge. The lad is held in jail awaiting a hearing before Justice Koenig.

Young Kazork's arrest followed complaints made by his father. According to Mr. Kazork, the son will not go to school and refuses to work. The father also added that the boy refused to stay home and is accustomed to arriving home late in the evening. Mr. Kazork told Captain of Police Fox that the son has already acquired all of the bad habits a boy of his age could possibly have.

The father pleaded to the police, saying that he possessed no control over the lad whatever, and asked that he be sent to some school for boys where he might be reformed.

Joseph was taken into custody at the corner of Lafayette and Syracuse streets last night. He will be arraigned before Justice Koenig some time today and, as the father wishes it, the lad will probably be sent away to a training school.

Thomas was given a hearing before Judge Rock this morning and was ordered by the jurist committed to the school for boys at St. Charles.

Arrest Youth for Larceny.
Harold Hart, 19 years old, whose home is supposed to be in Streator, was arrested last night by Captain of Police Fox after two charges of larceny had been preferred against him. Those who made the charges were Joseph Drix and Edward Gell, farm hands on the Ralph Hitchen farm in Wallace township.

According to the police, Hart is alleged to have stolen money from the clothing of Drix and Gell at the Hitchen home last Tuesday evening. He was working with Drix and Gell on the farm. The complaining witnesses allege they left their money in their trousers in the house. Hart, they claim, went into the house while they were working.

The police were notified, but not until yesterday was anything seen or heard of Hart. He was arrested in the loop district. He confessed to the police that he took the money, \$4.50, from the two men, and that after taking it he had gone to Moline. Yesterday he returned from that city.

He was arraigned before Judge B. Harry Reek in the county court shortly before noon and pleaded guilty to the offense. The jurist then sentenced him to serve a thirty day term in the county jail, and to pay a \$1 fine.

AYERS GOES TO INDIANA
FOR AUTO THIEVES

Sheriff C. S. Ayers left this morning for Elkhart, Ind., to bring back the two men arrested there last week who are charged with stealing the auto belonging to Frank Bregar, of Peru. The men claim to be John Dallas and George Lambert, although the Indiana authorities believe that they are Greeks.

The car was stolen from in front of a La Salle grocery store, where the owner had parked it to attend a carnival. It was recovered by the Indiana authorities one week later.

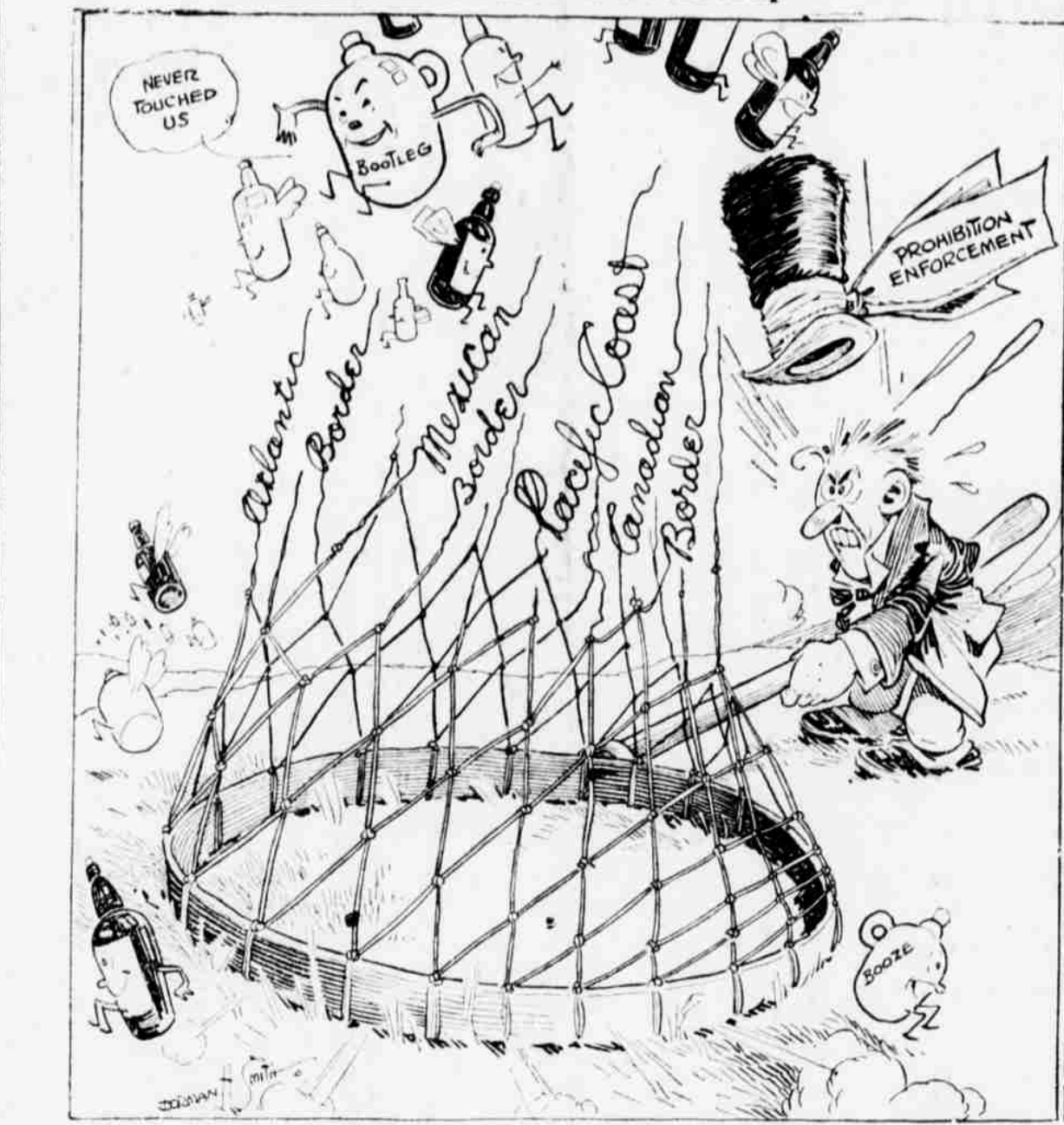
The two men will be brought back to Ottawa tonight and placed in the county jail. They will be given a preliminary hearing after their arrival here.

Requisition papers had to be received from the governor before the pair could be brought back to Illinois.

CONVICT PEORIAN
OF DANVILLE MURDER

Danville, Ill., June 16.—N. G. "Nick" Meyer, of Peoria, found guilty last night of the murder of Wm. Prast, ice cream manufacturer on the night of May 26, will be sentenced next Monday when Judge Brewer returns here from his home in Paris. Judge Brewer left for his home immediately after the jury returned a verdict finding Meyer guilty and fixing his punishment at 15 years. Attorneys for the defense said this morning there would be no motion for a new trial.

A Little Work on the Net Would Help



13 INDICTMENTS
ARE RETURNED BY
JUNE GRAND JURY

INQUISITORIAL BODY COMPLETES
INVESTIGATION OF CASES ON
STATE'S ATTORNEY'S DOCKET.
THREE WITHHELD FROM PUB-
LIC.

Thirteen true bills, three of which were suppressed, were reported by the June grand jury when they made their returns to Judge Edgar Eldredge in the circuit court this afternoon. The work of the week, was one of the lightest in the criminal history of the county, very few offenses having been committed in this territory during the past ninety days.

Ottawa Lad Held.
Only two of the defendants in the bills were residents of Ottawa. They were Willis Dugan and Chris Bayer, who were jointly indicted on three separate bills. One charges the robbery of the garage of Newton Baxter, the second the theft of some oil from the Independent Oil Co. and the third the taking of \$35 from Isaac Katz of the Ottawa overall factory. All three of the offenses are alleged to have occurred the same night, on June 4. The young men were arrested last week on a charge of having robbed the Baxter garage. Dugan is still a prisoner in the county jail.

The indictment for the Katz robbery alleges that the men entered the Ottawa overall factory and held up the proprietor.

John Dallas and George Lambert, who were arrested in Elkhart, Ind., last week, charged with stealing the Peru, were indicted on a larceny auto belonging to Frank Bregar of Peru.

Re-Indict Bank Robbers.
New indictments were returned against William McInerney, Dan McInerney and James Connors, for the alleged robbery of the Leonore state bank. Connors was indicted before for the alleged offense under the name of Chester Nolan. The new bill was some twenty five pages long, and added the theft of \$69.50 worth of notes to the \$10,000 worth of liberty bonds, for which they were previously indicted. Bill McInerney is now a prisoner in the state penitentiary in Joliet. Dan in the La Salle county jail and Connors in the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kas.

Hugh Cosby was indicted for the alleged robbery of Joe Scroba on May 30 in La Salle and taking a watch and \$6 from him.

A bill charging the same offense was returned against John McCombs of La Salle.

Cosby was also indicted on a bill charging that he entered the room of

W. J. Brett at the Miles hotel in La Salle on May 31, and took seventeen one dollar bills.

Nicholas Latino of Streator was indicted on a charge of having unlawfully possessed furnished and delivered intoxicating liquor May 2.

Indict C., O. & P. Agent.
One of the most important bills returned was the indictment of Clarence Freyer, former C. O. & P. agent in La Salle, for the alleged embezzlement of \$257. The date of his alleged embezzlement was fixed at July 19, 1920. Freyer has been a prisoner in the county jail for two days, having been brought down from Chicago by Deputy Charles Campbell, after finishing serving a sentence the bidwell.

MACHINE GUNS ARE
USED TO GUARD ROAD
TO ILLINOIS MINE

PRECAUTIONS TAKEN TO PRE-
VENT TROUBLE AT "STRIP"
MINE, WHERE SIXTY MEN WENT
TO WORK THIS MORNING.

Herrin, Ill., June 16.—Guarded by two lines of men armed with machine guns, sixty miners began production of coal at the Lester & Sherwood strip mine, six miles east of here. It was the first coal mined in Illinois since the strike was begun on April 1, and armed sentries guarded the road to the mine. Crowds of striking miners gathered to discuss the situation, while other guards went from town to town feeling up sentiment.

Miner officials cautioned against any demonstration.

The men who began work today were said to have been imported from the Chicago district.

Deal Only With Own Men.
Terre Haute, Ind., June 16.—Coal mine operators of Indiana are no longer willing to enter into an interstate joint wage conference with the miners and will now deal only with the miners of this state in effecting a strike settlement. Spokesmen for the operators referred to, to hold out for settlement by a state agreement was continued in a statement issued last night by the policy committee of the Indiana bituminous coal association. Similar action was taken recently by the Illinois operators.

The state predicts that Indiana miners will soon meet with the state operators in a wage conference and adds that the miners are now on strike only because they cannot secure the kind of conference they want.

Chicago, June 16.—Captain Robert Ferris, army officer who was mysteriously shot at Camp Grant last August is on trial at the sixth army corps headquarters on charges of embezzlement, extortion and twice breaking arrest.

CITY THREATENS TO
TAKE METERS FROM
WASTERS OF WATER

COMMISSIONER STICKLEN READY
TO ACT INSTANT ANYONE IS
REPORTED USING CURTAILED
SUPPLIES ON LAWNS OR GAR-
DENS.

By nightfall the reservoir which contains the water supply of Ottawa will be practically empty. Commissioner Charles J. Sticklen stated this morning, that in spite of all the workmen could do, the present water supply would be almost gone by the close of the day. However, by running the pumps full force through the night, it is hoped to have another day's conservative supply on hand by tomorrow morning.

Residents of east and south Ottawa who have persisted in sprinkling their lawns and gardens in spite of the warnings of a water famine, are to have their meters taken out, and be cut off entirely from the city water the next time they are caught using their garden hose, city officials announced today. This will aid in saving the city water for absolutely imperative purposes.

Residents of Ottawa were urged again today in a very emphatic manner to use a greater care in conserving water to keep from being in a state of complete famine.

Last night at 7 o'clock the reservoir dropped down to six and one-half inches water level. By 10 p. m. it had gained one-half inch. The pumps were run throughout the night and by morning, had reached the seventeen inch mark, which was several inches lower than yesterday.

A canvass of the city by the officials has disclosed the fact that the principal offenders against the appeal to save live in the east and south sections of town. Observing from outside of the houses the indications are that the residents of the west, north and center sections of the city have put their shoulders to the wheel, and are acting as best they can.

Reports have come in that some residents have waited until late at night and then slipped out and sprinkled their gardens and lawns with their hose.

The meters at these homes, it is said, will be taken out along with those who have been sprinkling early in the morning or at dusk.

FIVE HOME RUNS
IN ONE INNING

Wichita Falls, Tex., June 16.—The world's record for home runs in one inning in organized baseball was broken in the Galveston-Wichita Falls game yesterday when Galveston drove five homers in the fifth inning.

CELL MATES LOOK ON AS VICTIM IS BRUTALLY SLAIN

Pontiac, Ill., June 16.—(By the Associated Press)—J. S. Jones, a guard at the state reformatory in this city, was beaten to death late yesterday afternoon, by Byron Corbridge, an inmate sent to the institution from Jacksonville, Ill.

Cellmates who witnessed Corbridge's attack upon the guard, said he sprang upon Jones, apparently without any provocation whatsoever, and began beating the guard over the head with a piece of gas pipe.

Corbridge, it is said, by officials at the reformatory, was one of the most refractory prisoners ever brought there, for penal servitude. While hard to control, and his conduct always was sullen, it was not feared he would go to such extremes as to slay one of the guards.

Immediately after the attack upon Jones he was taken to his cell and later will be turned over to the Livingston county authorities for indictment and trial on a charge of murder.

SUPERVISORS VOTE
\$2000 TO WAGE WAR
ON T. B. IN CATTLE

HASKINS' MOTION TO HELP ERAD-
ICATE DISEASE FROM HERDS
OF COUNTRY CARRIES OVER OP-
POSITION OF SOME MEMBERS.

Amid a storm of arguments, pro and con, and after Dr. Roswell T. Pettit had addressed the board regarding the manner in which children contract tuberculosis from milk, the Haskins report, introduced at yesterday's session of the board, which recommended that the board appropriate \$2,000 to the Farm Bureau of the county for the purpose of carrying out their fight against tuberculosis among cattle was finally adopted at the session of the board this morning. Supervisor George F. Bell of Hope township led the opposition to the report, while Haskins headed those in favor of it. Arguments, and plenty of them, featured the meeting.

Dr. Roswell Pettit was called upon to address the board immediately after it had reconvened. According to him, between 60 and 80 per cent of the children who are victims of the disease contract it through the milk from tubercular cows. He said in part:

"There is no question as to whether or not tuberculosis can be transmitted from cattle to children. That was thrust out a number of years ago. Dr. Theodor Smith, formerly of Harvard University, but who at the present time is connected with Princeton University, conducted an investigation and made many experiments. It was found that the tubercular germs which infect cattle are the same as those which infect the human being."

"The larger portion, at least from 60 to 80 per cent, of the children who have the disease contracted it some from or other from milk, taken from tubercular cows. They drink the milk, which is absorbed into the blood. Now, to control the spread of this disease among children it is best to first control the disease among cattle. It is extremely important that tests be made of the cattle."

"A great many of the cases of tuberculosis among adults results from its being contracted during their youth. In many cases tuberculosis flares up in adulthood. I have specialized on tuberculosis for about ten years and I have found that in La Salle county for every 200 adults who have the disease there are at least 100 child victims."

Supervisor Bell then took the floor and after telling that he had made an investigation of the opinion of residents of Hope township, said that they were not in favor of the bill being passed and asked him to oppose it. He then made a motion that the resolution be deferred until the September session.

Supervisor Haskins then attacked Mr. Bell's statements. "When I went home last night I didn't call in all my neighbors to get their opinion of the proposition," he said. "Dr. Pettit told us that between 60 and 80 per cent of the children have contracted it through the milk from cows, and I want to tell you that I think the life of one child is worth a whole lot more than \$2,000. With 50,000 children in the county this board doesn't want to appropriate the paltry sum of \$2,000 toward the fight against this disease among cattle. I don't care if every man on this board is opposing me, I am in favor of donating the money. It seems to me that a group of men representing the body haven't anything to do who will refuse to donate \$2,000 to protect the children of the county."

Supervisors Charley and J. Ward Smith also upheld Haskins' report stating that \$24,000 is being used at the sanitarium in an effort to cure patients there, and for that reason the county board should be in favor of getting at the bottom by appropriating the money.

Haskins moved that the report be adopted and also moved that Supervisor Bell's report be laid on the table. Both motions were carried. The vote showed twenty-eight in favor of the donation, while eighteen were against it.

The judiciary committee reported that they had investigated the matter

2 DEAD, 20 INJURED
IN WISCONSIN STORM

Superior, Wis., June 16.—A special to the Superior Telegram from Cumberland, Wis., last night reports that a severe storm last night swept over Clear Lake, Wis., and two lives were lost. All wires are down.

Killed in Barn Refuge.
Glenwood City, Wis., June 16.—Two men, J. D. Reiss and Morris Schultz, were killed when barns in which they had taken refuge were demolished. Twenty persons were reported to have been injured in the vicinity of Forest township, some of them critically. Reports of the damage wrought by the high wind are meager, wire communication having been impaired.

GOING FROM HERE TO
SEE STREATOR PAGEANT

A number of Ottawa people are planning to go to Streator on the afternoon of June 22 to see the big Streator pageant. The entertainment will be staged in Marilla park, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

The cast comprises 1,000 people. The production takes in the development of Streator from the Hardscrabble days, down to June, 1922, and promises to be one of the finest out or door pageants ever given in La Salle county. It is expected that a very large attendance from a radius within many miles of Ottawa will witness the beautiful play.

KLANSMAN TO BE
ARRAIGNED SATURDAY

Chicago, June 16.—Herbert Paskolini, A. R. Umbach and N. W. Newman, all of Chicago, alleged members of the Ku Klux Klan, who yesterday were arrested by highway policemen, will be arraigned tomorrow morning before Justice Thiel of Evergreen Park. The trio are accused of trying to fog a Morris doctor.

JURY OUT IN CASE OF
TWENTY-NINE GREEKS

Quincy, Ill., June 16.—The jury in the case of twenty-nine Greek laborers charged with the murder of Sheriff Lashbrook, of Schuyler county retired yesterday afternoon. At noon today there was no indication of an agreement.

IRISH START VOTING
ON NEW PARLIAMENT

Dublin, June 16.—The voters of Southern Ireland went to the polls today to elect an Irish parliament as provided under the terms of the Anglo-Irish treaty.

of a rebate in taxes for the La Salle County Electric company and found that they were unable to grant the prayer of the petition.

On motion of Supervisor Wilsey, a rising vote of thanks was extended to Miss Nellie Maher of the county clerk's office, who will soon resign there, for the splendid work and aid she has offered the board.

Supervisor Haskins moved that the clerk be ordered to draw a check in favor of Supervisor Edward Gibbons of La Salle, although he was not present because of the fact that he is confined to his bed with illness. Supervisor O. M. Anderson opposed the motion. The Haskins motion was carried unanimously.

The county attorney's report was read to the board. Several other minor reports were read, after which the board adjourned until the September session.